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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

68. (Previously presented) A method of detecting normal, benign hyperplastic, or cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ in a human subject, comprising:
- providing an antibody or antigen binding portion thereof which binds to an epitope of prostate specific membrane antigen which is also recognized by a monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is bound to a label effective to permit detection of normal, benign hyperplastic, or cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~;
 - administering the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof to the human subject;
 - detecting the presence of the normal, benign hyperplastic, or cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ by detecting the label.
69. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein detecting the label provides an indication of where the prostate cells are localized within the body of the human subject.
70. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 69, wherein the label is detected using an imaging device.
71. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the administering is carried out parenterally.
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72. (Previously presented) A method according to claim ~~71~~, wherein the administering is

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carried out intravenously.

73. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the administering is carried out by intracavitary instillation.

74. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the administering is carried out rectally.

75. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the label is detected using a transrectal probe.

76. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is administered following a prostatectomy.

77. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is in a composition further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, or stabilizer.

78. (Previously Canceled)

79. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody is selected from the group consisting of a monoclonal antibody and a polyclonal antibody.

80. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 79, wherein the antibody is selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody.

81. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 79, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody produced by a hybridoma having an ATCC Accession Number selected

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from the group consisting of HB-12101, HB-12109, HB-12127, and HB-12126.

82. (Previously Canceled)

83. (Previously Canceled)

84. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:8 (variable heavy chain), SEQ ID NO:19 (variable light chain), an amino acid sequence of the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126, and an amino acid sequence of the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126.

85. (Cancel)

86. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 84, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:8 (variable heavy chain) and SEQ ID NO:19 (variable light chain).

87. (Cancel)

88. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 84, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of an amino acid sequence of the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126, and an amino acid sequence of the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126.

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89. (Cancel)

90. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:6 (variable heavy chain), SEQ ID NO:17 (variable light chain), a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126, and a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126.

91. (Cancel)

92. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 90, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:6 (variable heavy chain) and SEQ ID NO:17 (variable light chain).

93. (Cancel)

94. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 90, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126, and a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12126.

95. (Cancel)

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107. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the prostate cells are prostate epithelial cells:

108. (Previously Canceled)

109. (Previously Canceled)

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110. (Previously Canceled)

111. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof binds to live cells.

112. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of an amino acid sequence of the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12109, and an amino acid sequence of the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12109.

113. (Cancel)

114. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof comprises ~~an antigen binding portion of~~ an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable heavy chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12109, and a nucleic acid sequence which encodes the variable light chain produced by the hybridoma having ATCC deposit no. HB-12109.

115. (Cancel)

116. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, 84, 90, or 111, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

117. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, 84, 90, or 111, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is internalized with the prostate specific membrane

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antigen.

118. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, 84, 90, or 111, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is selected from the group consisting of a Fab fragment, a F(ab')₂ fragment, and a Fv fragment.

119. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 68, 84, 90, or 111, wherein the label is selected from the group consisting of a fluorescent label, a biologically-active enzyme label, a radiolabel, a nuclear magnetic resonance active label, a luminescent label, and a chromophore label.

120. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 119, wherein the label is a radiolabel.

121. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is a short-range radiation emitter.

122. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 121, wherein the radiolabel is selected from the group consisting of ²¹²Bi, ²¹³Bi, and ²¹¹At.

123. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is selected from the group consisting of ³²P, ¹²⁵I, ³H, ¹⁴C, and ¹⁸⁸Rh.

124. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is ¹³¹I.

125. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is ^{99m}Tc.

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126. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is ¹¹¹In.

127. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 68, wherein the method is a method of detecting benign hyperplastic cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ in the subject.

128. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 68, wherein the method is a method of detecting cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ in the subject.

129. (Previously Canceled)

130. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is an α -emitter.

131. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is a β -emitter.

132. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 120, wherein the radiolabel is a γ -emitter.

133. (Currently amended) A method of detecting benign hyperplastic prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ in a human subject, comprising:

providing an antibody or antigen binding portion thereof which binds to an epitope of prostate specific membrane antigen which is also recognized by a monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is bound to a label effective to permit detection of ~~normal, benign hyperplastic, or cancerous prostate cells or a portion thereof~~;

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administering the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof to the human subject;
detecting the presence of the benign hyperplastic prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ by
detecting the label.

134. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein detecting the label provides an indication of where the prostate cells are localized within the body of the human subject.

135. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 134, wherein the label is detected using an imaging device.

136. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein the antibody is selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody.

137. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof binds to live cells.

138. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

139. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is internalized with the prostate specific membrane antigen.

140. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 133, wherein the label is selected from the group consisting of a fluorescent label, a biologically-active enzyme label, a radiolabel, a nuclear magnetic resonance active label, a luminescent label, and a chromophore label.

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141. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 140, wherein the label is a radiolabel.

142. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 141, wherein the radiolabel is a short-range radiation emitter.

143. (Currently amended) A method of detecting cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ in a human subject, comprising:

providing an antibody or antigen binding portion thereof which binds to an epitope of prostate specific membrane antigen which is also recognized by a monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is bound to a label effective to permit detection of normal, benign hyperplastic, or cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~;

administering the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof to the human subject;

detecting the presence of the cancerous prostate cells ~~or a portion thereof~~ by detecting the label.

144. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein detecting the label provides an indication of where the prostate cells are localized within the body of the human subject.

145. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 144, wherein the label is detected using an imaging device.

146. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein the antibody is selected from the group consisting of an E99, a J415, a J533, and a J591 monoclonal antibody.

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147. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof binds to live cells.

148. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

149. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein the antibody or antigen binding portion thereof is internalized with the prostate specific membrane antigen.

150. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 143, wherein the label is selected from the group consisting of a fluorescent label, a biologically-active enzyme label, a radiolabel, a nuclear magnetic resonance active label, a luminescent label, and a chromophore label.

151. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 150, wherein the label is a radiolabel.

152. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 151, wherein the radiolabel is a short-range radiation emitter.